### MEETING NO. 4192

## JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF DETROIT HELD WEDNESDAY, **SEPTEMBER 06, 2017**

10:00 A.M.

RETIREMENT SYSTEMS' CONFERENCE ROOM ALLY DETROIT CENTER, 500 WOODWARD; SUITE 3000 DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

### TRUSTEES PRESENT

Wendell Anthony Trustee

Scott Benson Ex-Officio Trustee/City Council Member

Tasha L. Cowan Trustee/Chair

Kimberly Hall-Wagner Trustee

June Nickleberry Trustee/Vice-Chair

### TRUSTEES EXCUSED

Lori Cetlinski Trustee

John Naglick Ex-Officio Trustee/Finance Director

Gail Oxendine Trustee
Thomas Sheehan Trustee

## TRUSTEES ABSENT

None

## **ALSO PRESENT**

Cynthia A. Thomas Executive Director

Lamonica Arrington-Cabean Assistant Executive Director Ryan Bigelow Chief Investment Officer

Michael VanOverbeke General Counsel

TaKneisha Johnson Administrative Assistant

### STAFF EXCUSED

None

### **CHAIRPERSON**

#### Tasha L. Cowan

The Board's Administrative Assistant took a verbal Roll Call at 11:37 a.m. and Chairperson Cowan called the meeting to order.

<u>Present at Roll Call</u>: Wendell Anthony, Scott Benson, Tasha L. Cowan, Kimberly Hall-Wagner and June Nickleberry

# Re: Legacy Plan Service Retirement(s)

Motion By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**RESOLVED,** that the application(s) for retirement from the **COMPONENT II** (**LEGACY**) **PLAN** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Kenneth Burgess – Bldg. Trades Worker-

General - Transportation

SERVICE CREDIT 20-09 EFFECTIVE DATE 09-01-17

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Ethel Coleman – Appraiser II - Finance

SERVICE CREDIT 36-0 EFFECTIVE DATE 09-02-16

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Sandra L. Johnson – Vehicle Operator I -

DPW

SERVICE CREDIT 07-10 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-22-17

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Elies Whitfield – Jr. Public Health Nurse -

Health

SERVICE CREDIT 20-10 EFFECTIVE DATE 09-01-15

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

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## Re: Legacy Plan Vested Retirement(s)

Motion By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**RESOLVED**, that the application(s) for **VESTED RETIREMENT** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Maria G. Belen – Sr. Med Tech - Health

SERVICE CREDIT 15-06 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-01-17

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Karen R. Solomon-Edwards – Mgr I-HIth-Clin

Ops - Health

SERVICE CREDIT 14-03 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-01-17

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Samuel E. Enajero – Senior Accountant –

Planning & Development

SERVICE CREDIT 11-05 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-01-17

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT

Maud Margaret Lyon – Historic Museums

Dir - Historical

SERVICE CREDIT 11-10 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-01-17

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

## Re: Hybrid Plan Service Retirement(s)

Motion By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**RESOLVED,** that the application(s) for retirement from the **COMPONENT I (HYBRID) PLAN** as outlined below be hereby APPROVED:

NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT Sandra L. Johnson – Vehicle Operator I -

DPW

SERVICE CREDIT 03-02 EFFECTIVE DATE 08-22-17

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

Nays: None

# **RECEIPTS:** The Board received the following receipts for Acknowledgment.

THE GENERAL	RETIREMENT S	YSTEM OF THE CITY OF DETROIT			
WEEK	LY RECEIPTS FO	OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT			
8/28/17 - 9/1/17					
September 6, 2017					
REMITTER NAME	DATE POSTED	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
RECEIPTS					
HEALTHSOUTH CORP	08/28/17	Class Action Proceeds	15.10		
FIRST INDEPENDENCE BANK	08/29/17	Loan Deductions	40,463.32		
GENERAL CITY VEBA BOARD (BENESYS)	08/31/17	Reimbursement for RSCD IT Staff hours	437.40		
LANDMARK EQUITY PARTNERS XV	08/31/17	Distribution	57,688.00		
CITY OF DETROIT	09/01/17	Weekly Mandatory Pension Contribution	232,029.36		
CITY OF DETROIT	09/01/17	Weekly Annuity Contribution	142,452.93		
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 473,086.11		

### Re: Fees and Expenses

General Retirement System

Resolution Moved By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**WHEREAS**, the Board has been presented with the List of Disbursements for Board Approval which is referenced below requesting payment for Fees and Expenses, and

WHEREAS, the Board has been requested to approve payment of said Fees and Expenses; THEREFORE BE IT

**RESOLVED,** that subject to staff audit and approval of all Legal Fees by the Board's General Counsel, the Board **APPROVE** payment of the following Fees and Expenses:

	RSCD-General				
User:			ch: LEGACY Meeting D	Date: 9/6/17	
CATEGORY					
Legal Exper	nses				
Туре	Vendor Ref.	Vendor Name	Bill Description Onyx Capital Litigation thru 6/30/17	Due Date 8/18/2017	To Pa
CHECK	722171	Clark Hill			1,047.2
	722182	Clark Hill	Todd Interests thru 6/30/17	8/18/2017	
CHECK			Chapter 9 Compliance & Implementation thru 6/30/17	8/18/2017	121.1
CHECK 722177 Clark Hill	Clark Hill	Keeler Litigation thru 6/30/17  Category Total:	8/18/2017 4 Documents	618.9 3,146.6	
nvestment	Expenses				
Туре	Vendor Ref.	Vendor Name	Bill Description	Due Date	To Pa
CHECK	20170630-224-5100-A	BRANDYWINE GLOBAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '17	8/16/2017	66,149.6
CHECK	2Q17	DEROY & DEVEREAUX	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '17	8/11/2017	24,181.0
WIRE	90117	LANDMARK PARTNERS SV, LP	Capital Call	9/11/2017	190,514.0
CHECK	20170630-501-A	Mellon Capital Management	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '17	8/11/2017	111,084.3
CHECK	225851	MONDRIAN INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '17	8/30/2017	126,934.83
CHECK	17205-2-008	PZENA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	Management Fees - 2nd Qtr '17	8/20/2017	133,189.9
CHECK 11212	The Townsend Group	Professional Services - July 2017	8/30/2017	11,250.0	
		Category Total:	7 Documents	663,303.8	
Administrat	tive Expenses				
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Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

## CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Chief Investment Officer **Ryan Bigelow** discussed the following matters with the Board:

- Holland Capital Management termination. Staff will follow-up within the next month with the Board regarding a replacement.
- AON press release: AON will acquire the Townsend Group (Watch list worthy)
- Prospective Consultant search questions. The Investment Committee will discuss
  the consultant search as well as the Consultant RFP at their upcoming meeting
  on 9/11/2017.

Motion by: Trustee Nickleberry—Seconded by Trustee Hall-Wagner, acknowledge and approve the recommendation as submitted by the Board's Chief Investment Officer to terminate the relationship with Holland Capital Management and transition the assets to the RhumbLine Russell 1000 Index until such time as staff and NEPC are prepared to recommend a replacement. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

~Chief Investment Officer's Report concludes~

### Re: Refunds of Accumulated Contributions

Motion By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**RESOLVED,** that the contributions to the Annuity Savings Fund by members of the General Retirement System, as set forth:

List No. 7325 - \$126,617.03

including interest, be **REFUNDED**, pending audit by the Retirement Systems' Accounting Staff.

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

Nays: None

### Re: Employee Loan Program September 06, 2017

Motion By: Trustee Anthony - Supported By: Trustee Nickleberry

**RESOLVED,** that the disbursements for the Employee Loan Program by members of the General Retirement System, as set forth in the amount of: \$33,685.00 including interest, be hereby **APPROVED.** 

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

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Re: Minutes/Journal No. 4190 – (08/16/17)

Motion By: Trustee Anthony – Supported By: Trustee Hall-Wagner

**RESOLVED,** that the Minutes/Journal of Proceedings of the General Retirement System of the City of Detroit, of Meeting No. 4190, held on August 16, 2017, be hereby **APPROVED** as recorded and submitted.

Yeas: Anthony, Benson, Cowan, Hall-Wagner and Nickleberry – 5

Nays: None

# ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Assistant Executive Director, **LaMonica Arrington-Cabean**, discussed the following matters with the Board:

- Media Relations and Communications Consultant Update
  - Eight firms have responded so far. The next step is to consult with the Joint Personnel Committee to determine the next phase. The Board engaged in further discussion regarding the background and responsibilities of the Media Relations Consultant.
- MAPERS fall conference invited two voting delegates for the upcoming conference to be held September 16-19 2017. Chairperson Cowan and Vice-Chairperson Nickleberry volunteered.

<u>Motion by: Trustee Benson– Seconded by Trustee Anthony,</u> to designate two voting delegates (Chairperson Cowan and Vice-Chairperson Nickleberry) from the Board to attend the upcoming MAPERS Fall Conference to be held September 16-19, 2017. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

• Dinner at MAPERS on 9/16/2017 at 6:00 p.m. sponsored by Tom Zdrowski; he would like a list of prospective attendees.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director, **Cynthia A. Thomas** had no formal report this week but addressed the following:

- Update on pay cards for retiree/member payments; will come back in October with more concrete date of completion
- First Independence Bank Amortization update

# **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

General Counsel Michael VanOverbeke in addition to his formal legal report discussed the following matters:

- FOIA request from Financial Investment News
- Barbara Wright Death Benefit Issue
- Wanda Daniel Vested Deferred Issue
- Carl Melchior v. General Retirement System of the City of Detroit
- General Counsel is currently working on the Phillip Kendrick Issue
- Trustee Naglick informed the Board of Trustees of an upcoming Joint Personnel meeting to be held on 9/13/2017 at 10:00 am to discuss the open staff positions.

# **NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

- Trustee Anthony acknowledged visitors Willie Mitchell and Bronte' Kimbrough
- Curtis Lyons of New York Life introduced appeared before the Board of Trustees to ask questions regarding: interest rates, ERP system, employee contributions and beneficiary concerns to relay back to interested City Employees

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, **Chairperson Cowan** adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, **2017**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Retirement Systems' Conference Room, 500 Woodward Avenue Suite 3000; Detroit, Michigan 48226.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LAMONICA ARRINGTON-CABEAN

MANAGER II